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Extension of Time

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for One (1) month from the original due date of April 24, 2004 to extend the time for reply to May 24, 2004. The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) of \$110.00 is submitted herewith in an express request to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 (Docket LFS-5021/MM). (Form PTO/SB/17 Fee Transmittal is attached in duplicate). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0750.

Submission of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Pursuant to Rule 53(f) and Rule 54, please find enclosed a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the application of Matthias Stiene et al. entitled Device and Method for Extracting Body Fluid attorney Docket No.LFS-5021, to complete, pursuant to Rule 51, this application filed on 11/21/2003 by Express Mail pursuant to Rule 10. As required, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is also attached.

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Please charge Johnson & Johnson Deposit Account No. 10-0750/LFS-5021/MM in the amounts of \$130.00 for submission of the Declaration pursuant to Section 1.16(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 10-0750/LFS-5021/MM.

Request for Corrected Filing Recipt

Attached is a copy of the official filing receipt for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested. The corrections have been marked in red on the copy. The correct data should be:

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Respectfully submitted,

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